IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V.GIRI

TUESDAY, THE 18TH DECEMBER 2007 / 27TH AGRAHAYANA 1929

WP(C).No. 37485 of 2007(K)

PETITIONER:

S.SARATHKUMAR, S/O. P.R.SOMAN PILLAI,
AGED 41 YEARS, AUDIO VISUAL TECHNICIAN,
STATE INSTITUTE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT,
KOTTARAKKARA.

BY ADV. SRI.R.MANOJ

RESPONDENTS:

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1. **STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY**
   THE SECRETARY, LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT,
   GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. **THE SECRETARY,**
   LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT,
   GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

3. **THE DIRECTOR,**
   STATE INSTITUTE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT,
   KOTTARAKKARA.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI. BEJOY CHANDRAN

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 18/12/2007,THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

V.GIRI,J.

W.P (C) No. 37485 of 2007

Dated this the 18th December, 2007

J U D G M E N T

The petitioner is working as Audio Visual Technician in the Kerala State Institute of Rural Development, Kottarakara. He submitted an application for a revised pay scale in terms of G. O(P) No.1788/07/LSGD dated 29.6.2007. He has also made a request for rectification of the anomaly, which he claims, exists in the present scale of pay. Petitioner's claim has been forwarded by the 3rd respondent to the 1st respondent, where it is pending, as evidenced by Exhibit P5. In the meanwhile, Exhibits P6 notice has been issued requiring the petitioner to exercise an option in the scale of 4750-7820. Petitioner challenges Exhibit P6. In my view, petitioner's submission which has been forwarded to the Government under Exhibit P5 should be looked into by them.

After having heard the learned Government Pleader also, this writ petition is disposed of directing the 1st respondent to look into the submission made by the petitioner and forwarded along with Exhibit P5, and take a decision thereon, within two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment.

Further proceedings in pursuance of Exhibit P6 shall be kept in abeyance till the Government takes a decision on Exhibit P6. It is made clear that requirement under Exhibit P6 to exercise an option would be enforced, subject to the decision to be taken by the Government in the manner aforementioned.

(V.GIRI, JUDGE)

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K.THANKAPPAN,J

CRL.A. NO.92 OF 1999

ORDER

25th May, 2007